

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS:

The quarter million individuals of the Latino community in Minnesota comprise

the fastest growing demographic in the state, with the greatest increase among

the youth population; and

WHEREAS:

Jóvenes de Salud is an after school enrichment program with chapters in seven

Twin-Cities area schools, operated in partnership with the Association for

Nonsmokers - Minnesota; and

WHEREAS:

Jóvenes de Salud's membership is made up of Latino youth and community

health advocates specializing in education, health, and social justice; and

WHEREAS:

Jóvenes de Salud members have successfully advocated for anti-smoking initiatives in the schools and neighborhoods of Saint Paul, including substance abuse education, regulating commercial interior window signage, banning candy tobacco imitation products and toy lighters, and banning tobacco sponsorship in

the Saint Paul Cinco de Mayo festival; and

WHEREAS:

Jóvenes de Salud sponsors a variety of activities to encourage nutrition, physical activity, and service in the Latino community, including the Sanneh Soccer Foundation, youth stories and columns in Spanish language newspapers, and the

Saint Paul Cinco de Mayo Marching Unit.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 5, 2013, as:

JÓVENES DE SALUD COMMUNITY HEALTH ADVOCACY DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 3rd day of May.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE